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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: POROUS COMPOSITE MEMBRANE AND  
METHOD FOR MAKING THE SAME

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This application is an RCE of prior U.S.S.N. 10/646,292, filed on August 22, 2003. The following is in response to the Final Office Action mailed September 19, 2008 and the Advisory Action mailed November 26, 2008. Applicants kindly ask that the above-identified application be amended prior to examination as set forth herein.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.